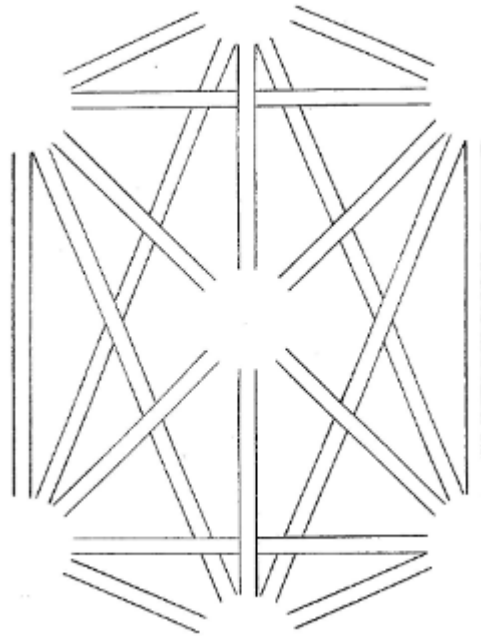


## **From The O9A Seven Fold Way To The Hebdomian Way A New Beginning**



Symbol Of The Hebdomian Way

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The Hebdomian Way is a way of our own devising, representing our esoteric Weltanschauung based on our individual quests for Lapis Philosophicus {1} and which quests began some years ago with us following the Order of Nine Angles Seven Fold Way (7FW) and the esoteric philosophy devised by Anton Long from (i) ancient Hermetic and Alchemical traditions and (ii) the empathic pagan Britannic tradition of the Rounwytha which he inherited. {2} In effect, our quests along the Seven Fold Way were an apprenticeship, since completed, with the Hebdomian Way the result of what we have discovered for ourselves by pathei-mathos, what we have developed, and what we have left behind or found to be, for us, unnecessary or unhelpful in our individual quests for Lapis Philosophicus. Among what we divined to be unnecessary, or unhelpful for us, was all forms of sorcery, all Occult rituals, "Satanism" however defined, all antinomian gestures or deeds, and all practical involvement with the external world with aim of seeking to change that world be it by politics or by a dialectic involving opposing "the Magian" or by any other means, Occult or otherwise.

According to Anton Long,

"What matters is the individual developing, from their own years-long (mostly decades-long) practical experience, a personal weltanschauung: that is, discovering their own individual answers

to certain questions concerning themselves, life, existence, the Occult, and the nature of Reality." {3}

In a letter to Michael Aquino, dated 20th October 1990 ev, he expected his own works to "become transformed, by their own metamorphosis and that due to other individuals: changed, extended and probably ultimately transcended [...] Each individual develops their own unique perspective and insight as a consequence of striving to achieve Adeptship." {4}

As Mr Parker of Shropshire wrote in 2017 in regard to the Seven Fold Way:

"the 7FW is not an Occult 'Right Hand Path' nor an Occult 'Left Hand Path' nor even 'satanist', but rather a means for the individual to develop their own unique weltanschauung and one which enables them to transcend such labels and categories." {5}

Thus, our Way is a Hermetic ἐπιστήμη, a new beginning beyond the O9A, evolving the O9A technique the Seven Fold Way, while being different from the O9A in all other respects since the Hebdomian Way is a purely esoteric, mystic, individual way and philosophy, that does not involve sorcery or magick or Occult rites of any kind, and which eschews all politics and political ideologies, all religions ancient and modern, all former and current interpretations of Occultism, Satanism and the Western Right and Left Hand Paths, and all notions of changing the world and societies by any and all means be they political, religious, ideological, or involving what Anton Long termed Insight Roles and Aeonick magick.

As an esoteric philosophy concerned only with individual development and the individual interior quest for, and the individual discovery of, Lapis Philosophicus, there is no group, no Order, no organization, no leader or leadership and thus there are no groups, no nexions, no members, no recruitment, no proselytizing, no dialectical methodology, no Labyrinthos Mythologicus, and no codes of personal or communal behaviour to be adhered to.

The term Hebdomian has been derived by us from the Greek ἑβδομάς (and thus the Latin hebdomad) which word occurs in the Greek text of the Corpus Hermeticum, especially the Ποιμάνδρης (Poemander/Pymander) tractate, and also in the Greek text of Plutarch's *De Iside et Osiride* in connection with (i) an ancient Egyptian interpretation of Pythagorean mathematics, (ii) the Greek Goddess Athena, and (iii) the myth of Isis and Osiris. Given the term ἑβδομάς is also connected to Anton Long's hermetic Seven Fold Way it seemed to us an appropriate term to describe our new, modern, but anciently derived esoteric way.

Plutarch - *De Iside et Osiride* 10 (354f) - wrote:

δοκῶ δ' ἔγωγε καὶ τὸ τὴν μονάδα τοὺς ἄνδρας ὀνομάζειν  
Ἀπόλλωνα καὶ τὴν δυάδα Ἄρτεμιν, Ἀθηνᾶν δὲ τὴν ἑβδομάδα,  
Ποσειδῶνα δὲ τὸν πρῶτον κύβον εἰκέναι τοῖς ἐπὶ τῶν ἱερῶν  
ἰδρυμένοις καὶ δρωμένοις νῆ Δία καὶ γραφομένοις.

{1} Lapis Philosophicus refers to that which is sought by means of an individual hermetic (esoteric, alchemical) quest: which is Wisdom, whereby Wisdom is meant a balanced, rational, personal judgement and a particular knowledge of a paganus kind concerning livings beings, human nature, Nature, the Cosmic Order (κόσμος) and our connexion to such manifestations of the μονάς.

As a term Lapis Philosophicus means the "jewel of the alchemist", since the term Philosophicus means an alchemist and not, as is commonly said, a philosopher, just as lapis (qv. λίθος τῶν σοφῶν) when used in Latin alchemical texts means "jewel" and not "stone".

For Hermetic tradition relates that λίθος as a jewel, or precious stone, was attested by Herodotus, who in *The Histories*, Book II, 44, wrote, in reference to "the sacred Temple of Heracles", ἥ δὲ σμαράγδου λίθου λάμποντος τὰς νύκτας μέγαθος.

It was possibly used in the same way by Aristotle who wrote, in reference to the Nine Archons,

ἀναγράψαντες δὲ τοὺς νόμους εἰς τοὺς κύρβεις ἔστησαν ἐν τῇ στοᾷ τῇ βασιλείῳ καὶ ὤμοσαν χρῆσθαι πάντες. οἱ δ' ἐννέα ἄρχοντες ὁμνύντες πρὸς τῷ λίθῳ κατεφάτιζον ἀναθήσειν ἀνδριάντα χρυσοῦν, ἐάν τινα παραβῶσι τῶν νόμων: ὅθεν ἔτι καὶ νῦν οὕτως ὁμνύουσι. Athenian Constitution, 7.1

Also, as noted in *English-Greek Dictionary: A Vocabulary of the Attic Language* by S. C. Woodhouse, published by Routledge & Kegan Paul in 1910, the term λίθος describes a jewel, as in Plato:

ὧν καὶ τὰ ἐνθάδε λιθίδια εἶναι ταῦτα τὰ ἀγαπώμενα μόρια, σάρδιά τε καὶ ἰάσπιδας καὶ σμαράγδους καὶ πάντα τὰ τοιαῦτα: ἐκεῖ δὲ οὐδὲν ὅτι οὐ τοιοῦτον εἶναι καὶ ἔτι τούτων καλλίῳ. Phaedo 110 δ-ε

{2} The esoteric philosophy of Anton Long is outlined in *The Boundaries Of O9A Philosophy*, e-text, TWS Nexion, October 2021 ev

{3} Anton Long. *The Discovery and Knowing of Satan*. e-text, 2011

{4} *The Satanic Letters Of Stephen Brown*, Volume I, Thormynd Press, 1992.

{5} R. Parker, *The Seven Fold Way Of The Order Of Nine Angles: A Modern Practical Guide*, e-text, second edition, 2017 ev

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